February 24, 2015

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL. 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 24, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeff Grove at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present- Mayor Grove, Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

Excused Absence: None A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 are accepted and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

PETITIONS

Alderman Duncan moved and the motion was seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve the naming of the main roadway through Rotary Park "John Pohar Jr. Parkway." Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Barb Pohar and other family members were in attendance. Mayor Grove stated that Mr. Pohar was a truly beloved family man and respected and adored by the City. Mayor Grove stated that he was someone who knew so much about the City and the City is grateful for the partnership and contributions he made. Alderman Bacidore presented the family with a keepsake street sign and the Mayor thanked them for being present.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Herndon to approve the request from the Knights of Columbus Calvert Council 792 to conduct its annual Tootsie Roll Sale at area businesses and at the intersection of 11th and Bucklin on September 18, 19 and 20, 2015. <u>Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.</u>

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and deny request of the Spring Valley Walleye Club, Inc. for a monetary donation. Each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve the request for a 2015 Raffle License to the La Salle Peru Township High School Foundation for Educational Enrichment. Each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and deny the request from the Illinois Valley Legion Against Lesions for a monetary donation to the March 28 fundraiser. Each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

In reference to the requests from the Canal Corridor Association, some concerns regarding the rain barrels were expressed. The council suggested granting permission for the rain barrels, but if they were not esthetically pleasing to the City, they would need to be removed. Discussion followed regarding the request to have the initial fee waived.

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve the requests from the Canal Corridor Association. A voice vote was taken and was not unanimous. Once the motion was made and seconded, it was decided to vote on each of the requests from the Canal Corridor Association individually.

Alderman Duncan withdrew his motion, and Alderman Reynolds withdrew his second. Motion withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request to the Canal Corridor Association to lease the sidewalk right-of-way along First and Joliet Streets adjacent to 754 1st Street utilizing the First Street area for outdoor dining.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of the Canal Corridor Association to lease the Joliet Street portion to have bicycle parking, a rental and repair stand, rain barrels and a silhouette of Robert LaSalle under the supervision of the City Engineer and with the understanding that the rain barrels will be esthetically pleasing to the City. **ROLL CALL**: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon,

NAY: None Absent: Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Schneider

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan to grant the request of the Canal Corridor Association and waive the initial \$200 lease fee and related matters.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider NAY: Alderman Demes, Alderman Bacidore, Alderman Ptak Absent: None Abstain: None **Motion Carried 5-3**

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve the request of Ameren Illinois to break ground at 227 5th Street to drop pole in alley. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schneider to approve and place on file the Monthly Police Income Report for January 2015 totaling \$12,167.74. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and place on file the Illinois Department of Transportation Report showing the Motor Fuel Tax Allotment for January 2015 totaling \$22,741.25. Each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept and place on file the Illinois Department of Revenue Report showing sales tax collected for November 2014 of \$64,810.29 and referendum approved sales tax of \$27,419.61 for a total of \$92,229.90. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Ptak to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to deny the request regarding designating the south side of McArthur from 351 and McArthur from the corner to the first driveway as a no parking area.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Herndon to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee and approve the request to place a stop sign eastbound on McArthur at the intersections of McArthur and Hennepin. Voice vote, one nay.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider NAY: Alderman Demes Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-1

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Herndon to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee and deny the request to place a stop sign northbound at the intersection of Hennepin and McArthur.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider NAY: Alderman Demes Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-1

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee and deny the request to designate the south side of Second Street from La Harpe to Sterling as no parking area.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding potential amendment to the Zoning Ordinance No. 590 and corresponding code Section 153.031 to clarify that subparagraph 11 is not intended to and shall not be construed to prohibit and/or restrict in M-1 Zoning Districts the outside storage of trucks and trailers on M-1 premises and matters related thereto.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

OLD BUSINESS

Finance Director John Duncan explained that supposals were gathered from four companies regarding the 2006 Bond Renewal. His recommendation is to move forward with an ordinance that would give the bonding company specific parameters, including setting a price basement on the savings at \$75,000. If the market generates that type of savings prior to December 1, we would move forward. If not, we will address the issue prior to the December renewal date. The Finance Committee is in agreement with this recommendation; however, approval is subject to the review of the proposal made by the bonding company, the bonding company's agreement to the parameters set by the City and the City passing the agreement and ordinance.

Motion by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve the Finance Committee's recommendation to move forward with further investigation per the recommendation of the Finance Director in securing a bond with final approval by the council in two weeks.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

In regard to potential amendments the Fence Ordinance, the issue was referred to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for further consideration. The Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. In addition, there will be a Building Codes Committee meeting on March 10, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to approve the Finance Committee's recommendation to retain Rock River Energy Services Company as the municipal aggregate energy consultant for the City of La Salle.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Aldermen Herndon asked for the council to consider amending the Liquor Ordinance to extend the hours packaged liquor can be sold. Currently the ordinance prohibits sales after 11:00 p.m. Mayor Grove asked the clerk to research what other communities in the area are doing.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider to approve and place on file **Ordinance 2547**: an ordinance amending Zoning Ordinance originally enacted as Ordinance Number 590 as from time to time amended also including La Salle City Code Section 153.031 in regard to Light Industrial District in regard to the outside storage of trucks and trailers on M-1 premises and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

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ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

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COMMENTS

Mayor Grove recognized Jennifer Nagle who will no longer be with WLPO. He thanked her for the fair and accurate reporting over the years, and wished her well in her new endeavor. Jennifer did not know who would be replacing her at this time.

County Board Representative Mike Kasap updated the council on a study being done by NCICG for a five county area to seek grant funding pertaining to flooding. Several meetings have been held with community members who have given input as to the needs within their cities. This is a very a pro-active approach meant to bring awareness and ultimately increase public safety. Andy Bacidore added that Public Works will need to decide the number one issue and have projects that are close to shovel ready.

No comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that bills submitted totaling \$439,125.08 (Total Payroll \$177,780.98, Bills to be Paid \$184,435.85, Total Bills Paid \$76,908.25) be accepted, paid and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy. **ROLL CALL**: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon,

Schneider

NAY: None Absent: Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Mo**ve**d by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to adjourn the meeting. <u>Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.</u>

ADJOURNED 7:33 p.m

Carrie Brown, City Clerk